

REMARKS

This paper is responsive to the Final Office Action dated February 14, 2007. All rejections and objections of the Examiner are respectfully traversed. Reconsideration is respectfully requested.

In the Office Action, the Examiner indicated that claims 5, 7, 10-14 and 23 would be allowable if rewritten independent format. In the amendments to the claims herein, claim 5 has been re-written as independent claim 1, claim 10 has been re-written as independent claim 8, and claim 23 has been re-written as independent claim 21. Independent claim 17 has been similarly amended to include analogous features. As the remaining claims depend either directly or indirectly from the independent claims 1, 8, 17 and 21, they believed to be patentable for at least the same reasons.

Applicant has made a diligent effort to place the claims in condition for allowance. However, should there remain unresolved issues requiring adverse action, it is respectfully requested that the Examiner telephone the undersigned Applicant's Attorney at 617-630-1131 so that such issues may be resolved as expeditiously as possible.

In view of the above amendments, this application is now considered to be in condition for allowance and such action is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully Submitted,

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